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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PROP PO

SUBJ: SOVIET ATTACK ON AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE CARLUCCI

1. IN NOV 25 CONVERSATION WITH POLCONS, PRESIDENTIAL CHIEF OF CABINET, LTC FERREIRA DA CUNHA, SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD BY GROUP OF VISITING RUSSIANS (PERHAPS TRADE UNION LEADERS WHO WERE RECENTLY HERE) THAT PORTUGAL SHOULD NOT ACCEPT CARLUCCI AS AMBASSADOR BECAUSE HE WAS DANGEROUS. RUSSIANS THEN GAVE DISTORTED ACCOUNT OF CARLUCCI ACTIVITIES IN ZANZIBAR, THE CONGO, AND BRAZIL.

2. FERREIRA DA CUNHA TOLD RUSSIANS IT WAS NONE OF THEIR BUSINESS.

3. EMBASSY INCLINED TO TAKE THIS MATTER SERIOUSLY. USSR MAY BE SOURCE OF INFORMATION FOR LEFTIST MEDIA'S SPECULATIONS ON PROBABLE HIGH-LEVEL CIA INTEREST AND ACTIVITY IN PORTUGAL. THESE ATTACKS HAVE HAD A CERTAIN SUCCESS IN CONVINCING EVEN OUR FRIENDS THAT THE EMBASSY AND THE USG IS/ARE ENGAGED IN CLANDESTINE ACTIVITIES IN PORTUGAL. FOR EXAMPLE, SOME EMBASSY SOURCES HAVE BECOME WARY ABOUT PUBLIC CONTACT WITH EMBASSY. SOVIET-INSPIRED CAMPAIGN AGAINST NEW AMBASSADOR COULD BE DAMAGING TO HIS EFFECTIVENESS HERE.

4. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR EMBASSY TO SEEK OCCASION, SUCH AS
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LUNCHEON WITH RUSSIAN COUNSELOR, TO WARN SOVIETS IN DISCREET

FASHION THAT WE ARE AWARE OF SOVIET ATTACK DESCRIBED ABOVE.
REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE.
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